Appointment of TV News Readers

2332. **SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:**
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether appointment of TV News Readers is advertised in Newspapers or any other media is utilized for this purpose;

(b) whether some facilities are provided to TV News Readers;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Advertisements for empanelment as Doordarshan's Casual News Readers are issued both on Doordarshan and in Newspapers.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. In addition to payment of prescribed fee, transport facility from residence to office during odd hours is provided to News Readers.

(d) Does not arise.

Qualifications for Appointment of TV News Readers

2333. **SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:**
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the qualifications prescribed for appointment of TV News Readers;

(b) the details thereof;

(c) the remuneration paid to the News Readers along with their working hours; and

(d) whether persons in service can also be appointed to such posts?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (d) The qualifications prescribed